11. (Amended) An observation optical apparatus, comprising:

an objective system;

an eyepiece system;

an erecting system for reflecting a light beam from said objective system and directing the light beam to said eyepiece system so that an image observed by said eyepiece system is in an erect state, said erecting system including a first prism provided with a surface of incidence and a second prism provided with a surface of emission;

a correction optical system constituted as a part of said objective system, said correction system correcting a shake of an image caused by a shake of said observation optical apparatus;

a sensor for detecting the shake of said observation optical apparatus;

a driver for driving said correction optical system;

a detector for detecting a drive amount of said correction optical system; and

a controller for controlling the driving of said driver based on an output from said sensor and an output from said detector.

12. (Unamended) An observation optical apparatus according to Claim 11, wherein said correction optical system is disposed ahead of said erecting system.

13. (Unamended) An observation optical apparatus according to Claim 11, wherein said objective system includes an objective lens and said correction optical system.